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RIBSTONE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of the Municipal District of Ribstone council was held at the council chamber, Chauvin, at 1.30 p.m., Thursday, May 31st; all members of the council being in attendance.

Minutes of last preceeding meeting were read, and Mr. McCluskey moved that same be adopted as read. Carried.

Pound fees: W. O. Harris account; Secretary reported having requested complaints in this matter to be put in writing, no written complaints have been filed, but one ratepayer appeared and informed the council that he had impounded only the entire colt, and had advised the poundkeeper that he was not impounding the mare. He also stated that the entire colt had been kept in the pasture contrary to the Act. After full discussion, Mr. Dallyn moved that the claim be disallowed. Carried.

Ribstone Crossing: Letter was read stating that this crossing would be converted into a public crossing in the course of a few days.

Mother's Allowance: Secretary reported that a reduction had been made in the payment of Mother's allowance and that the amount now payable by this M. D. would be \$7.50 per month instead of \$9.50.

Open Wells: Secretary reported having written Mrs. J. Hale in this regard but no reply had been received. Mr. Tunney reported that the wells had been filled up by Mr. Hale.

Road Drag: Secretary reported having received a road drag for Division No. 1, ordered at last meeting.

Water: Secretary reported having written Mr. Moir in regard to the allowance claimed for water, but had received no reply.

Correspondence: Letter read from Auditor, and ordered filed.

Letters read from various surveyors applying for appointment for the survey of any road diversions for the current year, including one from Mr. Whidden, who made the surveys last year. These were ordered filed.

Letters from the Department Re: road allowance French, Cryderman. This matter was left for the attention of Mr. McCluskey.

Report of Inspector Dominion Lands Re: purchase of Portion of Sec. 17-43-2-W4M, for recreation and other purposes.

On motion Mr. Dallyn, Secretary was instructed to apply for a lease of 80 acres on the north side of S.W. 17-43-2 W4M for recreation purposes at the rate of \$1.00 per annum.

Letter from C.N.R. respecting appeal from business tax, received too late. This matter left over awaiting reply of the Deputy Minister.

Report of Medical Officer read: as to two cases of scarlet fever, the children of Mr. D. Mackenzie, the cases had been duly quarantined by the M.O., and no other cases had been reported to date.

Accounts: C. C. McKechnie (Board of Health), \$4.00; Labour pay-sheet R. Edmunds, \$8.00; Workmen's compensation balance 1922, \$19.15; First payment 1923, \$7.25; J. D. Adams Company road-drag, \$38.00; Chauvin Chronicle printing \$7.00; and \$21.00; C. Tizzard \$12.50.

Rate of Taxation: Secretary presented the approximate estimate for the expenditure for the current year

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EDGERTON ECHOES

Are we on the verge of a repetition of 1915 and 1916 for moisture? Let's hope we are.

We have received a very generous portion of moisture during the past week, and now the cheery smiles on the farmers' faces, betoken that gloom and ruin have received their first knock-out—the old time optimism is beginning to assert itself. The outlook is very good and let us hope that we will not be disappointed. Right now, as compared with this date last year, we believe there is a vast improvement as far as soil condition is concerned and the moisture supply is fine for the present. All aboard for a 1915 crop.

Mrs. Sawyer was in Saskatoon last week attending the Convention of the W.A., as delegate from this district.

Cross Bar X pulled off their annual stampede at the river bridge. We had heard that some of our embryo wranglers did not take kindly to their picturesque togs and kept far from the maddening crowds. Our advice is to go un-togged—we mean just your ordinary duds—and then you would be less conspicuous. At that even, we are told that one of them was quite successful in the milk-cow classes. But what's the use?

Chauvin Baseball nine invaded the local field last week for the purpose of taking away the 'Shield' and for four innings they looked and acted like real winners. Bill Cahill, on the mound for the visitors, sure made them whiff the air on that submarine delivery of his during those innings until the locals solved the puzzle and then they sure did get him unmercifully. Edgerton still has the Shield. Batteries: Spornitz and Sparks; Cahill and Fontaine. Umpire, Bill Kelly.

Tennis has quite a lot of enthusiasts but we notice those enthusiasts don't reef on the handle of the roller to pack the new court after the game now. The novelty of the roller has worn off, and besides some of these enthusiasts have something else to do after the game.

'Tige' sports a gas buggy now, but it has no roof.

Saturday was moving day in Edgerton apparently; it looked to us that everybody was moving but we were so busy moving ourselves that maybe we did not see properly.

We were in Chauvin on a flying trip last Wednesday but everything was locked up. Yes, and all the ice-cream parlors were tacked too. We were dry and warm and our stay was short.

Herbert C. has been up to some more of his antics with that gas buggy of his and now she may have to be re-conditioned.

CHAUVIN ANGLICAN FIELD

Sundays—3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th of June, 11. a.m. Chauvin.

Sunday 10th—3.30 p.m. Ribstone. Sunday 17th 3.00 p.m. Chauvin (U.F.A. Service).

Sunday 24th 3.30 p.m. Fram (G.G.A. Service).

NOTES FROM THE NORTH EAST

What a dandy rain that was to be sure. No need to kick for the present, anyway.

The officials of the old established picnic at Manitou Lake are bent on making this years picnic 'the very best yet', and with this end in view a meeting will be held in Cliffe School on Saturday evening next, June 9th, at which it is hoped that all the old timers will be present, along with some new friends, in order that nothing may be left undone that can in any way add to the success of this important day. Watch for further announcements, and don't forget above all things to make a special note of this picnic, unless you want to miss something good.

Also the full program of the G.G.A. picnic to be held on Friday June 22nd will be announced in next issue.

It is hoped to be able to hold the school examination locally this year, with Brady as the battle ground.

How's the "wireless" coming along, Len? Any further progress to report yet.

Is there any more news from Chauvin yet? Let's be hearing Vic?

Edgerton Sports Day

Edgerton Sports Day will be held on Wednesday, June 13th. All kind of sports fill the bill for the day while a splendid program of entertainments is provided for the evening ending with a dance in Gorton's hall. Music will be supplied by a five-piece orchestra. For particulars, re sports etc. see posters. A full all-day entertainment. Everybody welcome. Refreshment booths on the grounds

Official Figures Of The Crop Movement

Figures of the movement of the 1921 grain crop have been published recently by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. There were apparently 286,758,974 bushels of wheat in Western Canada and 108,881,436 bushels in Eastern Canada. Of this amount 134,744,415 bushels were exported overseas. The overseas export represented one-third of the crop. Of the Canadian grown wheat exported 100,009,466 bushels were shipped from United States ports, and 34,734,949 bushels from Canadian ports.

Million Dollar Rains

Professor Cutler, of the University of Alberta, figured that the week-end rains in Alberta passed the "million dollar rain" stage and got into the "twenty-five million dollar rain," class. The Vegreville district, with two and three-fourths inches of rain on Sunday, the 27th, set the record for this year in the central part of the province.

COLONIZATION SCHEME

If you have any lands to sell, and have not listed them, you will do well to do so at the earliest date as a big demand for lands is expected. List at once with T. H. SAUL, Agent, Chauvin.

LOCAL NOTES

A rate of seven and a half mills has been set for the Municipality of Ribstone for the current years taxation.

Estimates of the Ribstone municipality provide for the expenditure of eight thousand dollars on roadwork this year.

Heavy rain showers fell in this district Thursday night and Friday. The ede was considerably lower than last growth had not been held back. The present crop prospects are good.

Attendance at the Cross X stampede was considerably lower than last year. The Wainwright stampede and unfinished spring work were contributing causes.

An itinerant signpainter has visited Chauvin. As a result several new signs will attract your attention.

Mr and Mrs McCord, for awhile acting depot agent at Chauvin, have been transferred to Peers, Alberta.

Three wells in the Wainwright district give an aggregate flow of 30,000,000 feet of gas, and Edmonton paper states

Miss Annie Saul, Miss Dorothy Saul and Miss Lawrence Saul spent the week end in Chauvin.

On the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Perry, the Chauvin Trail Rangers hiked over to their farm last Sunday afternoon, and were provided with ice cream and other refreshments by the host and hostess.

The Chauvin Branch of the G.W.V.A. will hold a Grand Masquerade Ball in the I.O.O.F. Hall on Friday June 15th. Good Prizes will be given. The Chauvin Orchestra will be in attendance. Everybody welcome. The proceeds will be devoted to the War Memorial Fund.

A District Conference will be held in Saints Church, Ribstone from June 22nd to June 24th.

Morning prayer services. Stirring sermons by experienced missionaries. Good music. Free entertainment on the evening of June 22nd. For further information look for notice in next issue.

The addition of a comic film to the program at the weekly moving picture show is greatly appreciated. A comic will be shown each week until further notice.

Mr Burton of Vancouver is a visitor at the home of Mr and Mrs W. Cargill of Airlie.

We regret to learn that Mrs J. Paterson has had to go to Lashburn hospital to receive medical treatment.

Members of the Alberta Dragoons who intend going to camp are requested to give in their names without delay to A. MacKenzie.

The scholars of St. Aubins school celebrated King's birthday on Monday by a picnic at Salt Lake. Messdames Poirier, Como, Lambert, and J. P. St. Peire, and Brother Belge provided lunch and took care of the entertainments. All reported having had an exceptionally good time.

ANGLICAN VESTRY IS ORGANIZED

At the meeting held in the Union church, Chauvin, on Friday last, by the Anglican Church, the following were appointed to the undermentioned offices:

Minister's Warden—Mr. McCluskey
People's Warden—Mr. Foxwell.

Vestry—Mrs. McNutt, Mrs. Keith, Messrs Saul, Murray, Ryall, Eardley, and Tooth, (The three last named representing the Prosperity, Ribstone, and Killarney districts respectively).

The Minister's Warden was appointed by the Student in Charge of the Anglican Church (Mr. C. Hann), and the remainder were appointed by election.

Mrs. McNutt was also appointed Organist.

It is now hoped that the Anglican church will go ahead, as a fully organized body, with the work for which she stands, namely the bringing of all men to the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, and that she will do it despising none, and catering to none.

Alberta Womens Institutes

The annual gathering of the members of the Alberta Women's Institutes has been in session at the University, Edmonton, this week. An idea of the scope of the work was gleaned from the report of Miss Jessie McMillan, superintendent. In 1922 the total attendance at all short courses arranged through this medium was 5801, and the total attendance at short courses and lectures and demonstrations 15,590. 325 places were visited and 696 meetings held. Two short courses on foods and cookery and twelve demonstration lectures were given. The sewing short course numbered 26, and the demonstration lectures 392. One handicraft course and six demonstration lectures on handicrafts were given.

The number of women's institutes which have applied for the grant is 231, and on their application forms they give their financial returns as \$66,332.87. According to the proportional subscription for the 231 institutes it is estimated that the 282 institutes would have represented \$80,977.80.

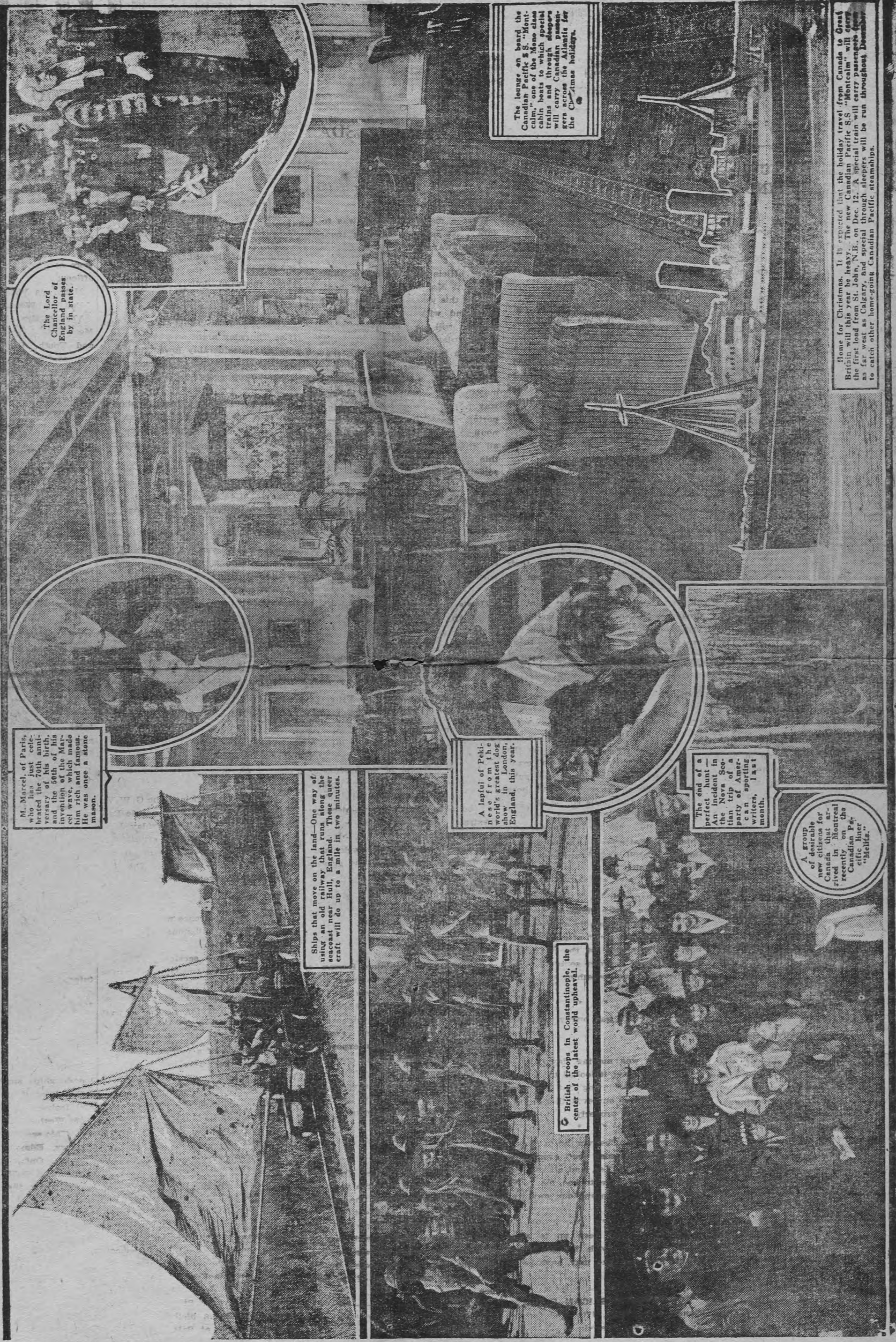
Special Rate On Wool

The Canadian Co-operative Wool membership among Alberta sheepmen, advises from Toronto that a special freight rate on carloads of wool from Western Canada has been secured. This special commodity rate from Calgary, Edmonton and Lacombe to Weston, Ont., is \$1.81, and from Lethbridge \$1.72. This is about 20 cents under the regular 5th class rate.

Potatoes Marketed Co-Operatively

The surplus potatoes in the Lethbridge district were pretty well cleaned up this week. Five carloads were marketed co-operatively, one car each being shipped from Magarh Welling, Lethbridge, Granum and Claresholm. The price paid the farmers was \$12.50 per ton f.o.b. cars, and this was considered fairly satisfactory.

PEOPLE AND EVENTS IN THE PASSING NEWS.



M. Marcel, of Paris, who has just celebrated the 70th anniversary of his birth, is the inventor of the Marscel wave, which made him rich and famous. He was once a stone mason.

Ships that move on the land—One way of using an old railway that runs along the seacoast near Hull, England. These queer craft will do up to a mile in two minutes.

A lapful of Pekinese from the world's greatest dog show in London, England, this year.

The end of a perfect hunt—An incident in the Nova Scotian trip of a party of American sportsmen, last month.

A group of desirable new citizens for Canada that arrived in Montreal recently from the Pacific line "Hells."

British troops in Constantinople, the center of the latest world upheaval.

The lounge on board the Canadian Pacific S.S. "Montcalm," one of the Montcalm class boats to which special cabins and through sleepers will carry Canadian passengers across the Atlantic for the Christmas holidays.

The Lord Chancellor of England passes by in state.

Home for Christmas. It is expected that the holiday travel from Canada to Great Britain will this year be heavy. The new Canadian Pacific S.S. "Montcalm" will carry the first load from St. John, N.B., on Dec. 12. A special train will carry passengers from as far west as Calgary, and special through sleepers will be run throughout December to catch other home-going Canadian Pacific steamships.

Women make all the trouble in life, but it's women who make life worth all the trouble.

Leeds proposes to use its tramways to transport coal straight from the collieries to the large works in the out.

It might be well for visitors to remember that a welcome quickly wears out.

Too many married folks who are nice to each other before company forget two's company.

Visitor: "You always do as you mother tells you, don't you?" Tommy: "Yes, and so does papa."

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Abraham Martin Honored

Monument to First Scottish Settler,
First King's Pilot On the St.
Lawrence, and First Farmer
On the Plains of Abra-
ham Unveiled.



At Quebec recently the Hon. Athanase David, Provincial Secretary in the Quebec Cabinet, officiated at the unveiling of a monument erected by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in memory of Abraham Martin, who was the first known Canadian of Scottish descent and the first King's pilot on the St. Lawrence River. The Plains of Abraham received their name from him, he receiving a grant of the land from Champlain in 1617. The unveiling of the monument, a handsome granite shaft seven feet high surmounted by a globe supported by thistles, was an important event and was attended by a large number of prominent citizens and political representatives.

The sturdy pioneer is further acclaimed by Andrew Patterson, who says:—

ABRAHAM MARTIN.

Auld Scotland many a hero boasts
From John o' Groats to Wigtown's
coasts,
Both Lowland lads and Highland
hosts

That wear the tartan;
But now another seeks your toasts,
Old Abram Martin.

But what pretence has he to fame,
That we should celebrate his name,
And thus in stone and bronze pro-
claim

His style and story?
A threefold plea can Martin claim
To all this glory.

The first of Scotia's sons was he
To cross Atlantic's stormy sea—
True pioneers of liberty,

Giving their best
That this Dominion fair might be
Blessing and blest.

See in his wake the glorious band,
MacKenzies, Frasers, foremost stand,
MacDonalds, too, in high command,
And James McGill,
Mountstephen and Strathcona grand—
'Twould pages

The first was he to till this plain,
Now sacred to that fierce campaign
When heroes fell, but not in vain
In glorious strife.
O Canada, thine was the gain,
Renewed thy life!

He was the first to mark the tides,
The rocks, the shoals St. Lawrence
hides—
The mariner in him confides
And bans his fears;

"The ship," he cries, "in safety rides
When Martin steers."
Though fate 'mong strangers cast his
lot

He ne'er forgot he was a Scot,
Thrifty and shrewd he was, I wot,
Canny and gaudy,
Proud of the nickname that he got,
"Abra'm l'Ecosais."

Let us whate'er our race or creed,
This ancient Scot's example heed,
And give the best that's in our breed
That ours may be
A Canada in word and deed
High-souled and free.

—A. Patterson

More Hebrideans Canada Bound



aving farewell to loved ones on the Metagama.

fate was not more kind to them after they had settled here. Forty-five of their number were carried off by fever in the first year and the war of 1812 wiped out the settlement, homes, stock and crops.

In 1812 Lord Selkirk's agent, Colin Robinson, of the Isle of Lewis, persuaded a number of his fellow islanders to whom the abolition of the Clan system had brought high rents and misery, to settle in the Red River district. This party encountered the hostilities of the Indians and, through their industry and progression, the jealousy of the white traders. When the settlement was wiped out on one occasion and many of them wiped out, the remainder were forced to leave. However, they returned in time to harvest the first western wheat crop and many attribute to this fact that Winnipeg stands where it does to-day.

Life will not be a bed of roses for those who have newly arrived and they will have to work, and hard; but this they can do. They are the descendants of the "lords of the isles" who by strength of arms repulsed the invasions of the Scandinavians and Scots. Social and industrial development was retarded to a great extent by the clan system, but those who have adopted Canada are well educated and a simple life of toil in adversity through generations has given them a splendid physique and simple dignity. Although forced by hard times to leave their homes to make new ones, most of them are in sufficient funds and not a few families aboard the Montcalm were possessed of over £1,000. Some have stopped in Ontario but the larger proportion of them have gone to Red Deer, Alberta, where they will farm a small acreage.

THE Hebrideans are a home loving race of people not much given to wandering from their native hearths, but the arrival at St. John aboard the Canadian Pacific steamships Marloch and Metagama of over six hundred sturdy men and women of the western isles, forced by stern necessity to seek their fortunes in the land of promise is not without precedent. In the year 1803 a contingent of 111 was brought from the Isle of Mull by Lord Selkirk to develop the sheep industry on St. Clair Flats, Kent County. If times were hard when these people left home,

BLOCKED

When "Old C. J." Kelly insisted that Johnnie Sanders couldn't marry his daughter Katie until Johnnie had ten thousand dollars that he could command, he was to learn that two heads make more trouble than one. For Katie rushed immediately to Johnnie's aid. And she, in a spirit of levity and without meaning any disrespect to her father, "We'll show him that who wills wins". The boast went promptly to her father.

Old C. J. slapped his hat on his head and took three strides of his sawmill office door, and grunted:

"Humph! I'll teach those young scals a trick with a hoic in it."

Johnnie Sanders borrowed three thousand dollars, bought a hundred pounds of brush and arranged for a sale of his logs to McLaren, old C. J.'s neighbor on Crooked Creek. Johnnie went ahead and cut five thousand logs when he had his first bit of enlightenment. Old C. J. bought the McLaren mill, paid off the men and shut it up. Johnnie, not knowing that Old C. J. was out "to teach him a trick with a hoic in it" approached old C. J. to buy his logs.

Old C. J. handed him the Doyle rule and told him to measure them up. Johnnie sold his logs to old C. J. Old C. J. put them into lumber and by using the Quebec rule added a quarter, or to be exact, twenty five thousand feet to Johnnie's figures, and told Johnnie how he had put it over him. Johnnie Sand-

ers smiled enigmatically and went to talk over matters with Katie.

"He has the upper hand. I can't do anything. He—Why, Katie, after all my expenses are paid, I won't have more than two hundred dollars for my winter's work."

"Just two hundred dollars more than you had before you started," Katie pointed out to him. "Now you've got your start, let me see what you make with it."

"But two hundred dollars is a long ways from ten thousand," Johnnie wailed.

Katie smiled encouragingly.

"It's a long way to Tipperary," she caroled in a sweet voice, "But—you'll get there Johnnie Sanders if you don't quit."

Spurred on by Katie, Johnnie Sanders kept on trying. He purchased a cut of yellow birch on the McLennan property, and when the skids were full, he went to Old C. J. for a little advice.

"Will I drive those logs to your mill or will I have them teamed to you over the ice?"

Old C. J. eyes twinkled.

"Drive them!" he said.

Johnnie did drive them. But less than two thousand of those six thousand splendid yellow birch logs reached Old C. J.'s mill pond. Johnnie Sanders came out of that deal with but one hundred dollars to his name. He was slipping. He went to see Katie.

"No use, Katie," he smiled sheepishly

"The old duffer put one over on me. I asked his advice on those logs—he must have known they would sink.

The old——"

"Here" Katie spoke up sharply, "mind he's my father, even if he did something he should not have done."

Johnnie Sanders swallowed his heart or something that kept coming up his neck.

"He's got on my nerves!" he protested. "Just to-day he sent Lafleur to tell me he would show me that I couldn't draw on his Experience in the lumber business without paying interest on the investment."

An! you—"Katie asked breathlessly "I told Lafleur to tell him for me that all isn't gold that glitters, that make or break I was going to stick to the game until he had to admit that even a novice has ideas worth capitalizing."

Katie's long slender fingers played with her golden brown hair. Her lovely blue eyes narrowed thoughtfully.

"Why don't you go down to the office and have a real heart to heart talk with father" she suggested. "Perhaps he misunderstands you. If I were you, I would simply ask him what's what."

That's what Johnnie Sanders did an hour later. He stamped unceremoniously into Old C. J.'s office and slammed the door behind him.

Old C. J. shot out of his chair, and flopped back again.

"Here, whatever are you doing?" he snarled, "Want to break the glass in my windows?"

Johnnie wet his lips with his tongue and came right down to brass tacks.

"I want to know something——"

"You came to the right place."

"Looks as if you're blocking me."

"I am."

"Do you intend to keep it up?"

"As long as my name is C. J. Kelly."

"What's the big idea?"

"That's my business."

"Got any other business?"

Old C. J. measured Johnnie Sanders from the toes of his white elks to the top of his curly black hair. With an effort he controlled the muscles of his big iron jaws.

"I have," he said, "But, I'm not going to tell you."

"Have you anything against me?" Old C. J. thought a minute.

"Yes—and—no," he drawled, "But that's not of the moment." He jerked open the top drawer of his desk, produced a box of cigars, and held the box out to Johnnie.

"Have a cigar. I bought these with some of the money I made out of the logs you sold me a year ago."

Johnnie Sanders picked out a cigar and rolled it between his fingers.

"Smoke up!" C. J. reminded him.

"Those cigars are the best that

money could buy or science produce."

Johnnie Sanders took a step backwards. His cheeks flushed. He bit the end off the cigar and jabbed it between his lips.

"You'll hear from me, C. J. Kelly," he stormed. "If you don't write out a cheque for me—a cheque, mind you, in five figures, within one month from to-day, I'll eat hay."

Old C. J. Kelly's big head rocked in merriment. His mouth formed a circle.

"Eating hay is hard on the teeth," he smiled. "Had you better not start with grass?"

Johnnie Sanders didn't wait to hear any more. Katie was waiting expectantly for a report of that interview.

"Oh, we had it out," Johnnie groaned

"It's to be a fight to a finish. He has, and he hasn't, got something in his crop against me. He says he'll block me as long as his name is C. J. Kelly And so——" he fumbled in an inside pocket and brought forth a blue print.

He spread the blue print on the table and he and Katie sat over it.

"There's a fine cut of spruce, cedar and some white pine here" he pointed out the location on the map with a pencil.

"Oh, I forgot to tell you Dad got a big order to-day for white pine and

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AUTOS

AUTO ACCESSORIES
 AUTO PAINTS
 AUTO TIRES
 AUTO TUBES
 AUTO PARTS
 AUTO TOOLS
 AUTO OILS
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 cigarettes, smoking tobacco and
 other things smokers want.

G. Mc NUTT

THE POOL ROOM
 CHAUVIN, ALBERTA

**RIBSTONE NOTES**

Mr and Mrs A. Pinkney and daughter
 of Saskatoon, spent the week end with
 Mr and Mrs Dell, of Ribstone.

The tennis court on Mr L. L.
 Pound's lawn has been completed, and
 some hard fought games are being
 witnessed.

A new basket-ball court has been
 completed in the school grounds, be-
 ing much handier for both players and
 spectators.

A special meeting of the Ladies Aid
 of the Knox Church, Ribstone will be
 held on Saturday, June 9th—a full at-
 tendance is requested.

A genuine Auto Strop Razor in-
 cluding 3 blades and a strop for \$1.00
 A Real Bargain—

The Chauvin Pharmacy

RIBSTONE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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amounting to \$15908'50 to raise which
 amount a tax of 7 mills would be re-
 quired, in addition to which some pro-
 vision should be made for canceliza-
 tion of taxes and seed grain debts.
 The estimated surplus carried for-
 ward from the last year amounted to
 \$6326.49'

After a full discussion Clr. Sewell
 moved the following resolution:—
 Whereas it is deemed expedient to
 raise the sum of \$15908.50 to meet
 the current expenditure of this M.D.
 for all purposes and whereas it would
 appear that at a rate of 7½ mills
 would be sufficient after making due
 allowance for cancellation of taxes

CHAUVIN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**TENDERS FOR BOOTHS**

Tenders are invited for booth pri-
 vileges for Chauvin Sports Day, July
 4th. The highest or any tender not
 necessarily accepted. Tenders to be
 in not later than 5 p.m., June 20th.

W. CUBITT, Secretary

VILLAGE OF CHAUVIN**THE TAX RECOVERY ACT**

Notice is hereby given that a list
 of lands against which proceedings
 have been begun under The Tax Re-
 covery Act, 1922, appears in The Al-
 berta Gazette, published on the 31st
 day of May 1923, and unless the
 amount of arrears of taxes and costs
 are paid on or before the 14th day of
 October 1923, a certificate of title will
 issue to the municipality in respect
 thereof. A copy of the said list may
 be seen at the office of the treasurer
 during office hours.

Dated at Chauvin, this 2nd day of
 June 1923. N. FREEMAN, Treas.

and seed grain bad debts, now there-
 fore be it resolved that the Secretary-
 Treasurer be authorized to levy and
 collect the rat of 7½ mills on the dol-
 lar in respect to all assessable prop-
 erty within this Municipal District
 Carried unanimously.

Estimates of Clrs. for each Divi-
 sion: The Clrs for each Division then
 presented approximate estimates of
 the amounts required to be spent on
 road work for the current year:—

Division No. 1.	\$1332.00
Division No. 2.	1362.40
Division No. 3.	1541.60
Division No. 4.	1588.00
Division No. 5.	929.00
Division No. 6.	1246.40

General Business: Representatives
 from the Canada Ingot Iron Company
 and the Adams Plow Company inter-
 viewed the Council, and received a
 small order for iron plows and one
 large metal culvert.

Engineer Robertson from the De-
 partment of Public Works attended
 reported that owing to present finan-
 cial conditions the Government
 had found it necessary to cut down
 grants in every direction where pos-
 sible. The grant authorized for this
 M.D. for the current year would not
 be more than 620.00, and he asked
 the Council to allocate this amount
 to as few places as possible so as to
 have some effect where the money
 was spent. It was proposed to ex-
 pend this amount as follows: Divi-
 sion 1. \$200.00; Division 3. \$175.00;
 Division 4. \$245.00. The Council ac-
 cepted the suggestions of Mr. Rob-
 ertson, who promised to report latter
 to the Secretary, with a copy of his
 recommendation. He stated that
 these amounts might be varied by the
 Department.

Mr. Couchesne attended to ask for
 payment for fencing on 28, and 19-
 43-1-4., and for land taken for road
 purposes. The Engineer promised to
 send down the blue print as early as
 possible so that payment could be
 made and Reeve Ferguson authorized
 Mr. Couchesne to obtain two spools
 of wire, 6 corner posts, and to be paid
 for one day labour on fences.

Chauvin Agricultural Society:
 Messrs Craddock, Tooth, and Keith
 appeared to ask for a grant from the
 Council towards the funds of the So-
 ciety. Mr. Belanger objected to a
 grant on the grounds that the Society
 did not represent one-third of the tax
 payers of the district. After a full
 discussion Clr. Sewell moved that
 \$100.00 be granted to the Society for
 the current year. Carried. unani-
 mously.

Clr. McCluskey moved that the
 changing of the date of this meeting
 from June 2nd to May 31st by the
 Reeve and Secretary, to allow us the
 Engineer to be present be approved.
 Carried.

Clr. McCluskey moved that the
 meeting adjourn, and that the next
 meeting of the Council be held at

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Chauvin on the 7th day of July. Car-
 ried.

LEADERS DISCUSS AGRICULTURAL DEPRESSION

(continued from preceeding issue)

Mr Meighen: I think we would have
 had less people on the land if we had
 not had that propaganda, not only
 less on the land, but less everywhere
 else. I do not think the propaganda
 has resulted in a larger or smaller
 proportion on the land. I think it has
 resulted in a somewhat larger popula-
 tion, more on the land, and more else-
 where as well. I do not think it has
 affected the proportion by any per-
 ceptible amount whatever.

I was speaking of the Old Country
 Now I come back to Canada. I ask
 hon. gentlemen to enquire and tell me
 of a country in the world where the
 proportion of agriculturists to-day as
 compared with fifty years ag is as
 great as it is in Canada. I do not think
 there is one. I know Great Britain is
 not one. Great Britain has gone down
 from nearly sixty per cent to about
 seventeen per cent, where it is to-day.

Mr Coote: Was there any other
 country that had the same amount of
 free land to exploit?

Mr Meighen: The United States
 had, the Argentine had—all these new
 countries of the world had. I do not
 know that they had as much fine new
 land for agricultural purposes as we
 had, and if we had the more that
 would be one reason why we have di-
 minished less than they have, and
 what the hon. gentleman has in mind
 would be right. But what is the fund-
 amental cause of the diminution of
 the proportion of agriculturists in
 the Dominion, in the United States,
 in Great Britain, in France, in Ger-
 many, in Australia, in every country
 in the world? Surely it is not because
 the people the world over have been
 following mirages in fiscal policies,
 and have not had brains enough to see
 what is the right and proper course.
 We cannot come to that conclusion,
 because while one country has fol-
 lowed one course, another has fol-
 lowed another, and it so turns out
 that those who pursued the policy of
 free trade have found their propor-
 tion of agriculturists come down most
 rapidly of all countries.

Mr Evans: Does the hon. member
 mean to say that there are vacant
 farms in Great Britain?

Mr Meighen: I have seen them, but
 I would not say there were vacant
 farms where land is good and reason-
 ably fit for agriculture. I do not
 know where there are or not. I know
 that land has gone out of cultivation
 and into grazing to the extent of
 millions of acres. However, that is
 not the point. I am trying to deal with
 the matter in the large. There are
 influences of a minor character that
 are different in one country from an-
 other, but when you find every coun-
 try has it's urban population multi-
 plied and it's rural population dimin-
 ished, you must look for something
 more basic than anything that is pec-
 uliar to the individual country.

What is it that is basic? Why surely
 it is this, and this is not something
 new on my part. I was seeking to
 make this clear to the Prime Minister
 when he was leader of the opposition,
 and I did not have much success. I
 will have far better success to-night.
 I know it was understood then thor-
 oughly by the Minister of Trade and
 Commerce. The fact is we do not
 require as large a proportion in the
 world to-day to produce what the
 farmer produces for the world as we
 did in those times. Why do we not?
 Some would say, because we have
 have machinery that produces more
 rapidly, we do not need as many on
 the land. That is true, but that is not
 the main cause in my opinion, for the
 reason that we have also machinery
 in other occupations in life producing
 other goods much more rapidly than

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they were produced in olden times. It is one of the reasons, however, because the multiplication of production by machinery is more emphatic on the land than it is in many others of the occupations of mankind.

But the main reason to my mind is this, that with the advance and evolution of civilization the needs of the human race multiply, the demands of the human race multiply. They multiply in one field after another, in the field of what we wear, in the field of the amusements necessary to entertain us, in the field of travel. In all the different spheres of this life the demands of the world are getting greater, more complicated, more multiplied, and it takes a bigger proportion to cater to these demands to-day than it did in the days gone by. Where an hon. gentleman travels to-day at the rate of one thousand miles a year his grandfather travelled at the rate of a hundred miles a year. It takes men to conduct that travel. It takes a part of the world's population to provide facilities and see that these things can be done. Then there are a thousand engaged in amusing the world to-day where only fifty were engaged seventy-five years ago. That is all consuming a portion of the population, and consequently, because of that continuous process that has been going on for decades, the world does not need and therefore the world does not employ as many in producing the single article of food of which the human being consumes just as much to-day as it did half a century ago, just as much and no more. I have tried to make clear what I regard as the fundamental cause, and what I think economists—I do not pretend to be

one myself—regard as the fundamental cause of a process that is world wide.

Mr Forke: The hon. member, I think, has given us a complete outline but he has missed the point.

Mr Meighen: What is the point? Mr Forke: The point is this: The wealth has to be produced from the land just as much as it ever had to be, and those on the land to-day have to cater to a much larger population than formerly. That is one of the reasons why agriculture to-day is in such poor shape. We have radio and other inventions that must be paid for. How are they paid for in Manitoba, let us say? Largely from the products of the soil. Consequently the soil is more and more taxed to pay for all these luxuries.

Mr Meighen: I do not think the hon. member's mind is on the right line. If, of course, we assume that the farm pays for everything—

Mr Forke: I do not say that exactly. Mr Meighen: That is the line of his reasoning.

Mr Forke: There is no wealth in Canada but what is produced from the natural resources of the country.

Mr Meighen: Or in any other country.

Mr Forke: Well then, the more burdens are multiplied, the heavier the burden becomes on those who produce the primary wealth of the country.

Mr Meighen: I do not see that at all. Any man who works, whether he works at the basis or the top, whether he is working to bring the gold out of the mine or the coal, or working to turn these products into something else every man is contributing to the world's wealth.

Mr Forke: Excuse me again. Does the hon. member think that the man who is working at the production of radio apparatus is as necessary to the human race as the man who is producing a bushel of wheat?

Mr Meighen: Not at all.

Mr Forke: Then why put them on a level?

Mr Meighen: I was not putting them on a level. I say that every man who produces the world's wealth, whether he is producing at the top, at the acme of the last effort of manufacture, or at the very bottom out of the soil is contributing to the world's wealth.

Mr Forke: I do not deny that.

Mr Meighen: That is all I stated, but the idea to my mind, is entirely erroneous that the more the world enjoys the more those on the soil have to pay for it, work and bear. It is not so at all. No man is compelled to stay on the soil in any free country.

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try. There are those who think a terrible calamity has occurred if their son leaves the farm and goes to the city. I have no sympathy with that view at all. I think the future of our land depends upon the growth of boys on the farm and their maturing not only in farm life but in all walks of life. The greatness of our nation depends upon the young farmer who is getting into other walks of life in the country as well as producing sufficient of the products of the farm to meet the economic needs of the country in which he is born. When a man finds he can do better elsewhere, his country has no call upon him to stay on his father's farm. If he thinks he can do better anywhere else he has just as good a right as any other man to get into another field. It is a free country and he can go where he thinks he may do better. We are producing far more than we did years ago. We are producing far more grain. If we produced twice as much I do not think it would be any better for those who were producing it—it would be worse. Let those who wish go where they can be best employed to their own advantage and in my judgement in so going and so acting they are doing they are doing the best thing for the country in which they live. There will be plenty of wheat produced, there will still be plenty of barley produced, and it may be that prices will be higher because there will not be so many working at it. Then we will get that readjustment for which we are waiting. We are suffering much to-day from a condition which I think is more or less artificial. Time will have to cure it, and such measures as will tend to cure it should be adopted.

In the world to-day, by virtue of the power of organization, those engaged in other walks of life have an advantage over those employed upon the land. Because of the power of labour to organize owing to the uniformity of the work in which they are employed, they have been able to hold up the production costs of goods made elsewhere than upon the land. Had the farmer equal power of organization—he has an equal right—then he would be in a position to obtain results parallel with the results of those engaged in production in other fields.

Mr. Forke: My right hon. friend has got my point of view exactly; he has stated everything I have been trying to get at.

Mr MEIGHEN: I am very glad if that is so, but I was dealing with another phase of the subject. I am trying to show now the cause of the extreme feature in present conditions.

It is not due to the fiscal policy of one country as opposed to the fiscal policy of another.

It is due to something far more basic, namely, what I mentioned first. But this affects the situation too: there is an artificial element in production of another character. Much can be gained by the economic organization of the agriculturalists of the country. The economic organization of agriculturalists is an essential thing and must be perfected in this country far further than it is in the organization of distribution. Organization will come that will control the total output of the farmer's products and thereby make his cost of production bear some relation to the sale price just as it is enabled to do in other fields of production. How long that will be in coming none can foresee; but there will be far more effective organization, economic organization, of the agriculturalists of this country, and I hope I will not be accused of political prejudice—much less any other kind of prejudice—if I suggest that if the efforts of the organization of the agriculturalists of Canada had been directed on economic lines for concentrated production—and, indeed, restriction of production—in fields that were shown not to be successful; more economic distribution of the products of the farm, more direct distribution of these products

to the consumer than we have to-day, if that had been the main object of agricultural organization in Canada, instead of attainment of political power, it would have been better for the farmers of this country. I hope I shall not be misunderstood as attempting say that I have any objection, or that anybody has any objection, to the farmers obtaining political power. Not at all, they have the same rights as other people in this Dominion; but there cannot be anything gained by a farmers' political party.

There can be a lot gained by economic organization amongst farmers. Where it has been directed along that line great results have been achieved. They have been achieved more easily, I think, in small and more compact countries of less diversified production. There the conditions more readily lend themselves to organization. Great things have been done in Belgium and Holland, and in other countries of that character. They have also been done in large countries. Even in the United States the farmers have achieved great results, where they have centered their energies upon economic organization and have not launched into other fields.

Now, having advanced these ideas I want to emphasize again that I do so certainly out of no prejudice to any part of our population. I do not pretend to have any special knowledge of farming; I have never sought to impose a knowledge of farming either on this House or any audience; but I think I know something of farm conditions. Before taking my seat let me say that I do not pay very much attention to the evidence of any man no matter how expert as to whether farming pays or whether it does not pay. You can bring an expert to try and show what a thing costs and what it sells for by taking so much an hour for 11 hours a day in the case of a

farm; and you can get a result that will show that no class of farming pays in any part of the country. But I have been on land when we had to sell farm products—dairy products—at less than the worst quotations—yes, less than one half the worst quotation—offered by any hon. member in this House, and I know that that farm the mortgage was paid off, I know that a large family was given an education. I venture to say that if Expert Leitch had got into the recesses of the house on that farm and had got at the same material that he got at to come before this committee, he could have shown there was a loss on the operations of that farm every year and that the poor fellow had better stop or he would go into bankruptcy. I do not know how we are going to get reliable or useful statistics as to what a bushel of wheat, or a quart of milk, or a pound of butter costs. With all deference I venture to say it cannot be done but I do know of farmers who through good and bad times, through difficult weather as well as through fair weather, have managed to make comfortable homes and comfortable for creditable but useful families, and that is the best proof that agriculture has paid in general. In the stage at which we are at now I know there will be no money made, I know that many will go back, but these things adjust themselves as time comes on. What we are suffering every country in the world has gone through and the way we can accelerate the return of better times is firstly by better organization; secondly by intelligent direction; and thirdly, lightening the taxation burden by economies in overhead expenditures which, in the case of a country, means economical government.

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spruce at most unheard of prices," Katie broke in.

Johnnie Sanders' face went grim.

"And he's going to run both mills day and night," Katie went on.

"Then he'll grab my men," Johnnie blurted.

Katie puckered her lips.

"Maybe not," she remarked.

"And maybe yes," Johnnie snapped.

"This is but another step of his game to keep me back. Now this cut spruce"

—he returned to the map. "It runs up a valley to the creek. There's a lot of good stuff on it. What do you say to coming up with me tomorrow and having a look at it. I can show you something that I cannot very well explain."

Katie Kelly and Johnnie Sanders stood at the sharp bend in the creek where it raged towards the mill pond and her father's mills. Time was when that creek went straight on down the valley before it. But a landslide from the side of the hill had blocked the entrance to the valley, and the water was forced the other way. In time the creek might revert to its old bed as it already trickled through its obstruction.

Katie and Johnnie studied the obstruction and went down into the valley. The property was a valuable one, as yet untouched by the lumberman.

"And all this can be bought for fifteen hundred dollars," Johnnie explained.

"Why Katie, it's a find."

Katie's brows puzzled.

"But," she argued, "How in the world will you get your timber out? you'll have to draw it up hill to the creek."

Johnnie Sanders pursed his lips.

"Katie, you're a killjoy," he blurted.

"Listen, I never intended to put an axe in this timber."

Katie's face reddened.

"Then—then—you intend to—"

Johnnie Sanders gently pressed his hand over Katie's lips.

"Say nothing, dear! Don't even whisper anything—"he passed his arm around Katie's waist. "Let's go home!"

Johnnie Sanders bought the valley property—on time. Only three people knew anything about it. And Old C. J. Kelly was not one of them.

Old C. J. was sticking close to business. Both mills were running day and night. Old C. J. varied the monotony of his long business hours by sending out sly digs to Johnnie Sanders.

"The old man told me to ask you," Lafleur approached Johnnie, "If you've gone in for that grass diet yet?"

Johnnie Sanders shrugged his shoulders.

"You tell the old guy for me that he had better keep his cheque book where he can get his hands on it at a moments notice. Tell him I'm going over the top for a big fat cheque some of these fine mornings."

As if in answer to Johnnie's prayers there came a big storm one night. Johnnie went up to his valley property. It was a wild night, that night. Lightning did a lot of damage in the Crooked Creek neighborhood. It was very, very late when Johnnie Sanders reached home. divested himself of his water, soaked garments and crawled into bed. He slept soundly and awoke late to a stillness around the mills that might be unexplainable. Johnnie smiled. The mills were not running.

Johnnie Sanders slowly dressed himself, snatched a bun off the table in the kitchen, and strolled down to the dam. Millmen stood around in idleness. Johnnie passed them without a word and went out on the piers. All the stop logs had been dropped in an effort to keep enough water in the millpond to turn the water wheels. But, there wasn't two feet of water in the flumes. Nor was that all. Up, up the creek to the bend, Johnnie Sanders could see hundreds of yellow birch logs, his logs, lying in chaotic state in the mud. Johnnie pursed his lips in thought.

Old C. J. on one of his many trips from office to dam as he patiently awaited the return of his foreman whom he had sent up creek to find out what happened, stopped looked at him and swore.

Johnnie swept around to him and smiled. "What's tickling you?" Old C. J. snapped. "Know anything about this."

Johnnie Sanders fingers went to his vest pocket.

"Have a cigar, Mr. Kelly! I can promise it is the best that money can buy, nor that it was bought by money rogued from somebody—"

Old C. J. Kelly's face flushed a warning. His big hand reached for the cigar his fingers snatched it, crushed it and threw the tobacco on the ground.

"Drat you and your cigar," he roared.

"You—you—"

He wheeled and shaking his fists he lumbered to his office.

Coming in shortly afterwards, the red faced foreman made his report. Old C. J. jumped up and down in his wrath. He trailed out after the foreman and headed for the valley. And Johnnie—keeping a respectable distance. Johnnie Sanders followed them.

Arrived at the Valley old C. J. Kelly mopped his florid face with his handkerchief and emitted a series of war-whoops. Before him were two very conspicuous signs:

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But that wasn't all Old C. J. Kelly saw. Huge trees had been felled across Crooked Creek, the landslide obstruction had been carried away and the water poured straight on down the valley on its old bed.

Old C. J. turned to Lafleur.

"Send a gang up here immediately," he commanded. "We'll fill this in—"

John Sanders stepped up and touched C. J. on the arm.

"You will not fill this in," he warned.

"Get off my property or I'll have you locked up for trespassing."

"Lock me up?" Old C. J. screamed.

"Lock me up! You—you young pup—"

Johnnie Sanders folded his arms.

"You can't touch rock or tree or sod of my property," he advised him. "If you do—"

Old C. J. took a turn or two across the pebbly shore and stopped abruptly.

"If I do—what?" he snarled. "Don't intimidate me!"

"I'm not intimidating you," Johnnie confessed, "I'm giving you a little sound advice—"

"You blew this up purposely," Old C. J. protested.

"I never blew it up"

"You felled those trees across there to hold back the water—"

"I never felled those trees. Look at them. Is there a saw or axe mark in any of them? Anyway, can't a man do what he likes with what is his own?"

Old C. J. Kelly stopped, looked and listened. He bit his lips. He sat down on the stump of a fallen spruce and he poked his heavy boots into the ground.

Johnnie Sanders watching him out of the corners of his eyes chuckled inwardly. Not a word was spoken for several minutes. Old C. J. brought out a memorandum book and did some rapid figuring. . . .

At the sound of the coming of his men, Old C. J. straightened up suddenly. He wheeled on Johnnie Sanders.

"Assuming that you've got me in a hole, what do you demand?"

Johnnie Sanders face sobered. His heart quickened.

"Quebec rule for every yellow birch log in the mud between here and your mill, eleven thousand, five hundred dollars for this valley property, and you can do what you like with it."

Old C. J. Kelly's brows bulged. His mind studied. . . . His hand went to the pen in his vest pocket. . . . Johnnie Sanders held his breath. . . . Old C. J. poised his pen.

"Why, you young scamp," he flared.

"You've gone crazy! Who do you think you're talking to? Eleven thousand, five hundred dollars?" he screamed.

"I'll see you in—first!"

Johnnie Sanders' cheeks paled and flushed in bitterness and disappointment. His fingers doubled and his knuckles were white.

"But—think, Mr. Kelly, of your mills. They won't run without water!"

Old C. J. whirled around.

"They won't eh? you suppose I can't send out for a boiler and an engine, eh? And let me tell you something—eleven thousand five hundred dollars will buy more boilers and more engines than I'll ever be able to use on Crooked Creek in my day."

Johnnie Sanders turned on his heels and walked away. The bottom had fallen out of his plans. He stopped, picked up a stone and dashed it into the

creek. He said, "Damn it!" Behind him Old C. J. was talking to his foreman.

"We'll not touch this thing to-day Lafleur," Old C. J. was saying. "Better put men and teams on cleaning up the mill yards. Yank out the boom logs. Pile up the slabs. Send some men over to patch up the shingle mill roof." He spun around and addressed himself to Johnnie. "As for you"—he snickered, "there must have been some loco weed in that hay you've been eating to make you think you could put anything over me."

Lafleur laughed merrily at the jest. The other men snorted. In the minds of his men The Boss is always right.

All that long day, Johnnie Sanders remained in the valley. He didn't want anyone to see him. He couldn't face

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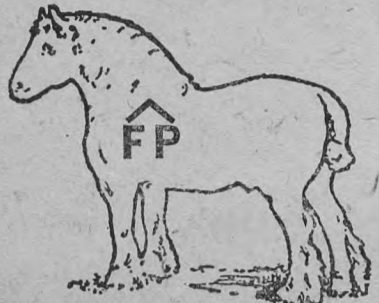
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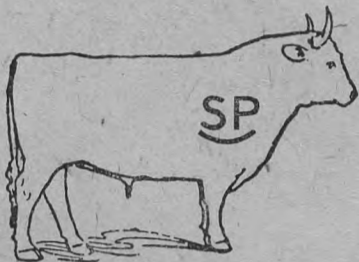
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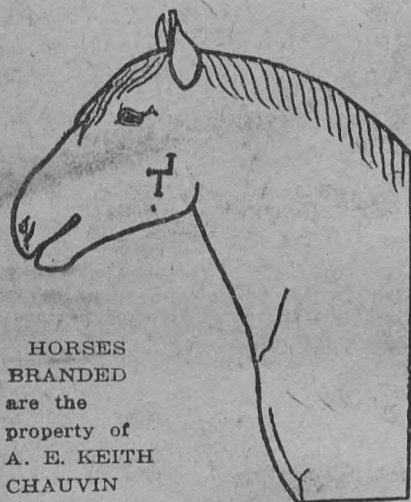


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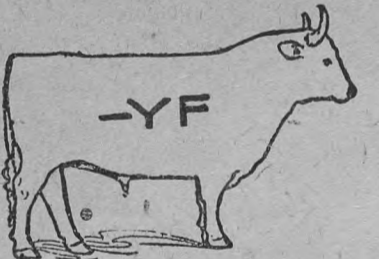


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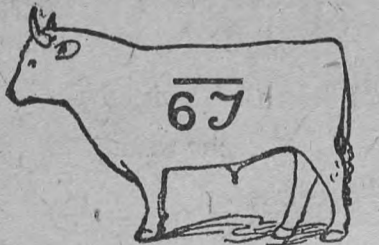
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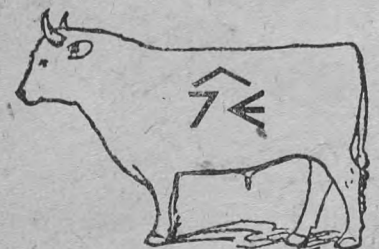
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Old C. J. Kelly or any one of Old C. J.'s men. He hadn't the courage to meet Katie—just now. He dragged through the weary hours. At the approach of darkness he stirred. He headed for his boarding house. He had an uncle in the city. He would go to him. Perhaps in some other line of work he would succeed. Goodness knew he had tried hard at Crooked Creek.

He ate his supper and went to his room. He packed up. He would walk down the spur to Read, and boarding the midnight train he would attempt to "work" the conductor for his fare to the city. But before he went, he must see Katie Kelly.

With his grip in his hand he picked his way past the endless piles of lumber. There was a light in Old C. J. Kelly's office. Johnnie slipped up in the shadows and peered inside. Old C. J. Kelly sat at his desk, his face in his hands. Before him was a sheet of hastily scrawled figuring. For a man who boasted that he could not be bluffed Old C. J. Kelly's present condition was baffling. Johnnie turned away. Someone brushed by, spoke and went into Old C. J.'s office.

Katie dropped the handkerchief she was crocheting the border around and hooked an arm around Johnnie's neck. "Why Johnnie!" she grasped, "What the matter? Where are you going?"

Johnnie set his grip on the floor and went over with Katie to the sofa.

"I'm going back to the city," he blurted. Katie flashed a speck from his collar with her hand.

"But—you're coming back again?" she queried, alarm in her voice.

Johnnie stared at the carpet. He shook his head.

"I'm afraid—I'm afraid I'm not." He turned around to her. "Katie, that thing up the creek didn't work."

He told her everything that happened up Crooked Creek that morning.

"Then—then—you—"

Johnnie Sanders raised his hand. "Yes—I have failed. There's no use hiding the fact. Your father can't instal steam power up the creek."

Johnnie gripped Katie's hand and sobbed.

"Good-bye, Katie," he touched her gently on the shoulder.

Katie raised her head defiantly. She buried her face in his shoulder.

"But this can't be!" she moaned. "You must not go! I—I can't live here without you—"

"What's that?" came a gruff voice from the doorway. Old C. J. stamped in, his heavy boots pounding on the floor. In a glance he had taken in the situation.

"You can't live here without him! Such silly nonsense!" he snorted. "Drop that grip, young man! Leave the room, Katie!"

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Johnnie Sanders and Katie Kelly exchanged puzzling glances but they obeyed promptly. Old C. J. strode over to a table and motioned. Johnnie Sanders to a seat.

"Business is business," he glanced across the table under beetling eyebrows, Johnnie noticed at that moment that Old C. J.'s face was drawn and haggard from worry. "There isn't eleven thousand, five hundred dollars' worth of stuff in that valley property and—well you know it," he thundered, banging his fist on the table to emphasize his argument. Johnnie allowed him to proceed without interruption. "The four thousands logs in the creek even by the Quebec rule would not bring more than a dollar and a quarter each. Those logs are small, and yellow birch has dropped. You were to pay Carruthers fifteen hundred dollars for that valley property. You ask twelve thousand—"

"But, there's a creek running through it now," Johnnie flared.

"No matter if there were fifty creeks through it—the value isn't there. How are you going to get the material out?"

Johnnie Sanders jumped up, grabbed a newspaper off the rack near-by and drew a diagram on the white margin.

Old C. J. Kelly rubbed his chin reflectively.

"By putting in a sort of dam here—" Johnnie pointed to where the old obstruction had been—"enough water could be let down to keep your mill going. Then by building a twenty-five foot dam here—" he indicated the narrowest spot in the valley—"and by braving over and setting up the old McLaren mill machinery, you will have no occasion to buy a log for a long time to come."

Old C. J. Kelly's face twisted curiously.

"All very good on-on paper. But how are you going to get the product of this mill to the top of the hill from where it can be steamed to the siding?"

Johnnie Sanders smiled.

"That's easy. Instal an endless carrier. There'll be hordes of surplus power from the valley dam to run it."

Old C. J. Kelly jabbed a cigar in his mouth and took three strides of the room.

"It will cost money to do that."

"Sure it will."

"It will cost several thousand dollars."

"All of that."

Old C. J. Kelly came over and stood close to Johnnie.

"But—but where's the money coming from to do all this?" he whispered, careful that Katie in the next room wouldn't hear him.

"Then—then—" Johnnie gasped, rising to his feet. Quick as a flash he saw Old C. J. as he sat in his office an hour before, face in hand, a jumble of figures on the big sheet of paper before him. "Then—then—you—"

Old C. J. rolled his head on his thick neck.

"I'm on the verge of financial ruin," he confessed hopelessly. "To give you what you demand would put me hard and dry on the rocks. Oh, I've been doing some tall figuring to-night," he wrung his hands, "I didn't know I was in as deep as I am. But—"

His hawklike fingers reached over and fastened on Johnnie's coat.

"You can help me out of it. I acknowledge to you that you are a better man than I am. What say to going in with me? We can pull out to the good by amalgamating the valley and Crooked Creek properties on the plans you have suggested."

Johnnie Sanders bit his lip. Old C. J. Kelly had told him he couldn't have Katie until he had ten thousand dollars to his credit in the bank.

"But—but—that other proposition?" Johnnie stammered.

Old C. J. Kelly dropped a hand on Johnnie's shoulder.

"You mean—" he nodded towards the other room.

"Yes"

For answer Old C. J. stepped behind Johnnie, placed both hands on his shoulders and pushed him towards the room where Katie waited expect-



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"Katie wants to see you on business, I believe, that has some connection with a wedding," he said.

And some time later Old C. J. and Johnnie and Katie sat around the large oak table in the parlor and talked as though there had never been any strife nor false hopes nor trouble in all the wide, wide world.

"What I can't get through my thick head, Johnnie," Old C. J. puzzled "is how those trees and those rocks got into Crooked Creek and that obstruction got out of the old creek bed without you having a finger in it—"

Once again the conspirators exchanged glances. Johnnie asked Katie a question with his eyes. Katie nodded acquiescence.

"As you know you were blocking me," Johnnie explained. "It was a game that two could play. You had put me to a big loss when you told me to 'drive' the yellow birch logs to your mill. You knew they would sink. Well, I bought dynamite and took it up the creek the night of the storm. I decided to blow out that obstruction and ruin you if that were at all possible. But, while sitting in the shelter of a big tree

which stood in the way of the creek going down through the Carruthers valley, I reasoned that what had at first looked like fair fighting was nothing short of criminal. So I buried the dynamite under the roots of the tree and decided that if the worst came to the worst you could never say that I had fought you underhand. I left the tree and started for home. But—I had not gone more than two hundred yards when there came a blinding flash, followed by a tremendous impact that sent me sprawling. Hurt by the fall I staggered blindly to my feet, the blood streaming from my nose, and picking my way to the creek, I washed. I returned to the tree. It was gone. The whole complexion of the place had been changed, trees were uprooted, the opposite side of the bank had been blown out—you saw what it did?"

"Yes," admitted Old C. J. "I saw more than that. I saw—I saw that a better man than I had shown up on Crooked Creek and that—well," he smiled, "you can't expect a man to win out against two people, particularly—particularly when one of them is—is a woman he has trained himself."

CHAUVIN VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Chauvin village council was held in Mr H. N. Freeman's office at 8 p.m., Monday, June 4th. Present: Reeve A. E. Keith, Cirs W. McCluskey and C. G. Forryan.

The minutes of the ast meeting being read and adopted, the following bills were passed for payment:—
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The meeting then adjourned.

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June 21st at 8 p.m. Introductory sermon.

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June 23rd Conference Day; Be-a.m. and ending with Preaching Service at 8 p.m.

June 34th Ministerial Day; Beginning with Communion Service at 9 a.m. and ending with Preaching Service at 8 p.m.

General Church Ministry expected to be present are Eld. J. Rushton—Quorum of Twelve. Eld. J. Pycock—Missionary Supervisor; Ed. Wm. Osler—District President.

A cordial invitation to all to meet with us.

Messrs Percels and Foxwell made a shipment of cattle and hogs Friday.

"Don't you get dreadfully tired of Johnson's jokes?" "I have never heard one." "Why, I thought you knew Johnson!" "So I do!"

LATE LOCAL NOTES

We learn that the Chataqua will be held at Manitou Lake during the last week in July.

There will be a meeting of the St. Andrews Society in Keith's office, at 3 o'clock, Saturday, June 16th

The St. Andrews Society have decided not to hold a separte picnic this year, but to co-operate with the G. W. V. A. if found possible. Mr J. A. MacKenzie has been appointed a delegate to the G.W.V.A.

bekeh Assembly paid an official visit to the local lodge on Tuesday evening.

The "Movies" will be on Tuesday in Chauvin next week and Edgerton on Monday..

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MERTON, NO 451

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a list of lands against which proceedings have been begun under the Tax Recovery Act 1922 appears in the Alberta Gazette published on the 15th day of May 1923; and unless the amount of arrears of taxes and costs are paid on or before the 3rd day of December 1923 a certificate of title will issue to the Municipal District in respect thereof.

A copy of the said list may be seen at the office of the secretary-Treasurer during office hours.

Dated at Dina this 23rd day of May 23rd 1923.

L. B. NICHOLSON, Secy-Treas.

MORTGAGE SALE OF FARM PROPERTY

Pursuant to the Judgement and final Order for Sale there will be offered for sale by E. ST. J. McTaggart, Auctioneer, at the Post Office in the Village of Edgerton in the Province of Alberta, on

WEDNESDAY The 20th day of June A.D. 1923 at the hour of TWO o'clock in the afternoon.

The South East Quarter of Section Twenty-two (22) in Township Forty-two(42), and Range Four (4), West of the Fourth Meridian in the Province of Alberta, subject to the reservations and exceptions expressed and contained in the original Grant from the Crown and in the existing Certificate of Title.

The Vendor is informed that the said lands are situated about 9 miles from Edgerton on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway at which point there are grain elevators; and about three miles from Dolcy Post Office and about 200 yards from a school.

That the soil is a light loam and of good quality with clay subsoil, and that about 90 acres are under cultivation, and that about 5 acres additional can be brought under cultivation, the remainder being suitable for pasture land and hay.

There is a dwelling on the said lands 12 x 16 with an addition 10 x 14. There is also a well and the land is all fenced.

The property will be sold subject to a reserve bid and to the taxes for the year 1923.

The terms of payment are ten per cent cash on day of sale and the balance within sixty days thereafter without interest, or the purchaser shall pay ten per cent of the purchase price cash and execute a mortgage for the sum of \$600.00 in favour of the plaintiff for three years, repayable with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum in three equal annual payments on the 30th day of June in each of the years 1924, 1925, and 1926 and pay the balance of the purchase price into Court.

In other respects the standing conditions of sale of the Supreme Court

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